

ROOSEVELT WORKS ON HIS SPEECHES

Party Sees Mirages on the
Desert on Hot Day.

WORE SHAMROCK ON HIS COAT

Former President Outlines His Itinerary to Time He Reaches England—Will Speak in German at Berlin and in French at Paris. Answers Only Urgent Letters.

Wady Halfa, Upper Egypt, March 18.—After traveling by train from Khartoum, a journey that occupied nearly twenty-four hours, Col. Roosevelt and his party reached here this evening.

A special train had been furnished for the use of the party. It was well equipped, cool, and dustproof, and had dining and sleeping cars attached. Altogether, it was a better train than the visitors expected to find in the Sudan, and Col. Roosevelt congratulated the director of the government railways, who was on board, both on the equipment and the speed.

The best part of the trip was the desert stretch of 200 miles from Abu-Hamed to Wady Halfa. The roasting heat was tempered by a pleasant breeze, and beautiful mirages were seen on either side of the line during the hottest part of the day.

Col. Roosevelt spent part of the time in preparing the address that he will deliver at the Berlin University the second week in May. He is not afraid to address the Germans in their own tongue, and he is preparing his address in that German language. Furthermore, he proposes to lecture at the Sorbonne in Paris in French, and this oration is also under way.

Nobel Peace Prize Speech.
Something, too, has been done on the speech he will deliver at Christiania on May 4, when he receives the Nobel peace prize. It is understood that the Christiania speech will be in English.

Mrs. Roosevelt was glad to have a day's rest on the train after two days' hard work of sightseeing, which, added to the heat, had tired her and her daughter. They are, however, quite well. Col. Roosevelt is as fresh and as energetic as ever, and he is anticipating his tour of Europe with the eagerness of a school boy. Knowledge of the numerous functions he will have to attend and the numerous speeches he will deliver does not appear to him in the slightest. He is especially looking forward to again going over the route of his honeymoon in Italy.

Correspondence is still occupying much of his time. He only replies to urgent letters. He hopes that the people who have written to him asking for lion pups and other animals will wait for their answers patiently.

Wears a Shamrock.
Irishmen may be interested to know that Col. Roosevelt wore a shamrock yesterday. An unknown Irishman in Khartoum sent him a bunch, which he immediately pinned to his coat.

Upon arriving here this evening, the party boarded a steamer provided by the Sudan government. They are due to arrive at Assuan Sunday morning, and will stay there a day and will visit the Dam. They will start for Luxor March 21 and reach Cairo March 24. The subsequent itinerary follows: Rome, April 3 to April 4, after which a week will be spent on the Italian Riviera; Vienna, April 15; Budapest, April 17; Paris, April 21; Brussels, April 23; The Hague, May 1; Christiania, May 3; Stockholm, May 6; Berlin May 9, and London, probably May 15.

Col. Roosevelt proposes to spend a month in England, and it is expected that he will repeat there publicly the many agreeable things he has already said of British work in Africa.

EX-MAYOR FALLS DEAD.

Henry Zeighehn, of St. Louis, Was
Noted Character.

St. Louis, March 18.—Henry Zeighehn, sixty-five years old, who, while mayor of St. Louis, from 1897 to 1901, made the remark, "We got a moon yet, ain't it?" in refusing a petition that the streets be lighted, dropped dead in the street last night of apoplexy.

He was president of the Lafayette Bank. During his administration seven members of the municipal assembly took part in legislative transactions that afterward sent them to the penitentiary.

WHEAT PROSPECTS POOR.

Damage Throughout Grain States
Alarms Elevator Men.

Omaha, Neb., March 18.—Western grain men are viewing the winter wheat situation in Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri with much alarm, and a thorough investigation into conditions is being made. Already 25 to 35 per cent damage has been sustained, and the conditions are rapidly growing worse.

The ground about the roots is frozen and cracked open, and many of the plants are dying.

"The situation is critical," said Sherman Saunders, manager of a line of grain elevators. "A crisis will be reached within a week, but even now the prospects look bad for anything like a fair crop."

Tariff Peace with France.

Rochester, N. Y., March 18.—President Taft announced here to-night that the threatened tariff difficulties with France have been averted. France has agreed to give the United States her lowest duties on about 50 per cent of the American goods imported. She refused to make some concessions the United States wanted, and which Germany recently agreed to.

The President will sign the agreement at Albany to-morrow, it was announced.

Japanese Land Bill Passed.

Tokyo, March 18.—The lower house of the Diet to-day passed what is generally known as the land bill. It provides that a foreigner cannot own land in Japan unless he is a native of a country which permits Japanese to own their own land within its boundaries.

Miners Still at Odds.

Cincinnati, March 18.—The joint conference of the operators and union miners of Ohio, Indiana, and Western Pennsylvania received a report this afternoon of the joint scale committee, stating that they are unable to reach an agreement on any proposition of the miners.

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TAFT AS DEFENDER OF HIS POLICIES

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right or not. When any one comes to me for a hearing I want to give it to him, but I do not intend to be influenced except by just arguments.

"I've been told," said the President, "that I'm a poor politician, and that this administration has shown that it was poor at politics."

First, according to the President, objection was made to tariff law; next, the \$60,000 corporations didn't like the corporation tax, and the magazines had no use for the proposed increase in the rates on second-class mail matter.

Still, the President thought the country would see that these measures were right. "And that," he added, "is the best politics in the end."

Made Speeches from Train.

The President reached Rochester at 3:45 o'clock. He came from Chicago in a special train, to which was attached also the private car of President Brown, of the New York Central. At Ashtabula, Ohio; Erie and Northeast, Pa.; Dunkirk, Batavia, and Buffalo the President made brief rear-platform talks, and at several of these towns the school children were out, lined up at the station, waiting to see Mr. Taft.

When the President reached Rochester he stood on the station platform while the local company of naval reserves fired the Presidential salute of twenty-one guns.

At the Hotel Seneca, the President made a brief speech to the crowd in the lobby. He paid high compliment to the late James Breck Perkins, Representative in Congress from this city.

WILL HEAR CANADIAN VIEW.

Taft to Discuss Tariff Deadlock with Minister of Finance.

Rochester, March 18.—The tariff deadlock between this country and Canada may be broken at Albany to-morrow. President Taft told friends here to-night that he had taken the reins himself and had arranged for a conference with W. S. Fielding, minister of finance of the Dominion of Canada, and the country's tariff expert.

Earl Grey, governor general of the Dominion, is to be present at the banquet given to the President by the University Club to-morrow night, and it is possible he may attend the tariff conference, although it is certain, too, that Counselor Hoyt, of the State Department, and Charles M. Pepper, tariff expert of that department, will be at Albany also.

The President seemed pleased at the prospect of talking over the situation with Minister Fielding. Although the deadlock has been the source of more worry to the administration than have the tariff difficulties with any dozen others, Mr. Taft evidently hoped to-night to fix things up.

Whether he will reach a tentative agreement or not the President did not inform his callers, but he intended to do all that was possible, it was said.

Earl Grey to Meet Taft.

Ottawa, March 18.—The governor general and Lady Grey this afternoon attended the opening of the Protestant Infants' Home, Montreal. To-morrow Earl Grey will leave for Albany to meet President Taft and Gov. Hughes at the dinner of the University Club, of Albany.

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Condition of the Water.

Harpers Ferry, W. Va., March 18.—Both rivers clear.

NATION NEAR WAR OVER PRETTY GIRL

Revolution in Domingo May
Follow Dispute.

SEÑORITA IS QUEEN OF FETE

Citizens Object and Demand Native Beauty, But Syrian Gets Votes Enough—President of the Republic, Members of Cabinet, and Army Officers Take Sides in Controversy.

New York, March 18.—The astonishing story of how the Dominican republic almost suffered overthrow because of the beauty of a Syrian girl arrived in New York to-day in a letter written to the Alhoda, the Syrian daily newspaper here, by its correspondent in San Pedro de Macoris. Although the crisis was reached a month ago, state affairs in the republic are still in a turmoil, and a revolution may be looked for at any minute while the señorita, Amanda Azar, remains unwed.

February 10 is to Dominicans what a union of the New Orleans Mardi Gras and a Philadelphia Fourth of July would suggest to us.

Each year a girl is chosen queen of the fete. This year some one proposed the name of Amanda Azar for that high office. At once there was an outcry. The señorita Azar was beautiful beyond dispute, but she was not a native.

All Take Sides.

Instantly all the citizens of San Pedro de Macoris took sides. There are not more than 300 Syrians in San Pedro, but Miss Azar had many champions among the Dominicans. Torchlight processions were inaugurated, seventeen new brands of cigarettes were named in honor of the fair Syrian, her health was drunk superlatively, and in public a vile quality of rum was rechristened by a wine agent "Amanda."

The controversy spread to San Domingo, the inhabitants of the capital became inflamed with enthusiasm, the army was divided, and the police force was disrupted. The members of the cabinet unanimously refused to have anything to do with President Ramon Caceres, because he would espouse neither one side nor the other.

"The house of Azar was besieged with persons who wished to look upon the señorita Amanda. The minister of foreign affairs drove over to San Pedro de Macoris and made formal offers of marriage. The minister of war and marine ordered that the Dominican navy be rechristened Amanda. The minister of the interior and police proposed by letter to Miss Azar. The letter, of course, had to pass through the hands of the minister of communications, promotion, and public works, who intercepted it. Several duels were fought, which were ended by the President threatening to put both suitors in the lock-up."

Syrian Elected Queen.

At length the day of voting came. Ballots were purchased by the thousands. More than 50,000 votes were cast, and when they were counted the Syrian girl was found to have been elected queen. Riot followed in San Pedro and the capital. The President convened the cabinet, which was all for Miss Azar. Yet the citizens refused to recognize a Syrian queen. The agriculturists attacked the President, who was forced to flee for his life.

President Caceres was in a dilemma. He has over four years more to serve as President if he can stave off a revolution. At length he proposed that Mercedes Casellero, a girl of Spanish blood, yet native born, share Miss Azar's honor. This was carried out, and both queens presided at San Pedro's fete.

"Since the fete, however," concludes Alhoda's correspondent, "a great discussion has arisen, and there is talk of a revolution."

DANIEL RESTING EASILY.

Physicians Give Out Hopeful Bulletin at Dayton.

Dayton, O., March 18.—At 9 o'clock to-night physicians in attendance on Senator John W. Daniel issued the following statement:

"Senator Daniel's condition had not changed during the past twenty-four hours. His pulse, temperature, and kidney conditions are satisfactory. The state of coma continues marked, but is not of the profound type. The patient is getting an adequate amount of nourishment."

GAINS BY DEMOCRATS.

New York Villages Show Remarkable Political Upheaval.

Utica, N. Y., March 18.—The village elections in a number of chartered communities in Central New York during the present week have shown large Democratic gains.

Dolgeville went Democratic for the first time in five years, and the village of Herkimer, a Republican stronghold, also lined up with the Democrats. Gouverneur, Hamilton, and Canastota, rock-ribbed Republican communities, elected the tickets placed in the field by the Democrats.

Other villages heretofore inclined toward Republicanism, but this week electing Democratic tickets, are Canajoharie, Fort Plain, and Fultonville.

The election of Penn Yan resulted in a clean Democratic sweep, except police justice. The board of trustees is now solidly Democratic, with a Democratic president for the first time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

In Savon, Plattsburg, and Hammondsport Republican candidates were elected by smaller majorities than usual.

Invite Cannon to Banquet.

Glenns Falls, N. Y., March 18.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon may be one of the speakers at the annual banquet of the Glenns Falls Club to be held in the army Saturday night. He has been invited and a big effort is being made to get him here. The speakers will include Vice President Sherman.

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NO STATE PENSION.

Gov. Willson Vetoes Bill Favoring Confederate Veterans.

Frankfort, Ky., March 18.—"Disapproved" is the word that Gov. Willson wrote on the bill passed at the session of the general assembly which will keep the Confederate veterans of this State from receiving a pension from the State.

Giving his reasons for the veto, Gov. Willson says that there is no money in the State treasury to pay the pension, and he adds that the people of the State have not been consulted as to whether or not they want the taxes raised. It would require \$50,000 a year for the next five years to pay the pensions.

Gov. Willson says that he is going to call an extra session of the legislature next May, and that he will consider putting this measure in the call.

FINDS EARLY STORY OF NOAH AND ARK

Prof. Hilprecht Translates
Mystic Signs on Clay.

COMES FROM THE LAND OF UR

Tablets Brought from Nippur Tell Story of Flood More Ancient by a Thousand Years than Any Heretofore Known—Striking Similarity to that of Hebrew Scripture.

Philadelphia, March 18.—Prof. Hermann V. Hilprecht, of the University of Pennsylvania, has a little piece of hardened clay upon which are traced the mystic signs of a language that has not been uttered in common speech for more than 3,000 years.

The chief fact brought out on the tablet is that the people of Ur, from which Abraham came, the people of the plains of Shinar, had a story of the deluge almost identical with that of the Old Testament.

Among the tablets brought out of Nippur by the last expedition from the University of Pennsylvania was one fragment which is part of a deluge story more ancient by 1,000 years than any that has been found, and antedating by at least 200 years the time that Abraham left Ur to go to the land of Canaan.

Fragments Are Deciphered.

This fragment has been deciphered by Prof. Hilprecht.

Even the errors in the translation of the Bible text from Hebrew to English mark the striking similarity between the Nippur story of the deluge and that of the ancient Hebrews. Prof. Hilprecht points out that the word which the translators of a few hundred years ago rendered as "window" really meant "roof" in the old Hebrew. Where our Bibles say "A window shalt thou make to the ark," it should have read by correct translation, "A roof shalt thou make to the ark."

The tablet story of the deluge, written 2000 B. C., which Prof. Hilprecht has translated, "A roof shalt thou make to the Gods say: With a strong deck (or roof) cover it."

SUCH IS FAME.

Among the recent arrivals at the Hotel Shelburne is United States Senator Gaynor, of Baltimore, Md. He is accompanied by his family during an extensive visit here. Senator Gaynor recently figured in one of the biggest fights that have featured the Senate sessions in years. He is prominent in the political circles of the South.

(From the Atlantic City Press, March 17, 1910.)

"FLORA" IS GENUINE.

Dr. Bode Denies "Fake" Charge Made by Dr. Pinkus.

Berlin, March 18.—Dr. Bode, the well-known art expert and director of the Kaiser Friedrich Museum, does not accept the verdict of Dr. Pinkus, of the German Chemical Society, who, after a chemical analysis of the wax composing the much discussed "Flora" bust which Dr. Bode purchased in England as the work of Leonardo da Vinci, pronounced it as of comparatively modern manufacture.

Dr. Bode now says that Prof. Rathgen made several analyses for the museum and found that the wax of the bust was quite different from that used by Lucas, who, Dr. Bode's opponents claim, was the real maker of the bust. Dr. Pinkus, according to Dr. Bode, presumably analyzed part of the outer layer of wax which Lucas added.

He quotes Prof. Lippmann, chemist at Halle University, as authority for the statement that spermaceti, which Dr. Pinkus found to be one of the components of the wax used in the bust, was abundantly used in Mediterranean countries at the beginning of the sixteenth century, despite the belief in some quarters that it was not known until 1700.

PROBE INSURANCE FUND.

New York Legislators Divided \$10,000 in the Year 1901.

New York, March 18.—Right at the start of an investigation begun to-day by Supt. William H. Hotchkiss, of the State insurance department, into the affairs and legislative activities of insurance companies, testimony was given which brought out evidence of a fraud of \$10,000 raised by the fire insurance interests for the purpose of "taking care" of certain legislation in the early part of 1901.

Half of this amount, according to the testimony, went to the Republican State committee—or to its chairman, the late Reuben L. Fox. The other \$5,000 was scattered around among various people of political influence. The only one of those to have his name mentioned was George W. Aldridge, of Rochester, who, it was said, got \$500.

Veteran Horseman Is Dead.

Memphis, Tenn., March 18.—Stricken with paralysis shortly after taking an automobile ride with President F. C. Jones, of the Memphis Trotting Association, A. M. Howe, veteran harness horseman, died to-day shortly after the attack.

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Pillsbury's Flour, 5 1/2 bbl.	89c
Apples (Pippins), large cans.	7 1/2c
Tomatoes ("Matchless" Brand), 4 for.	25c
Van Camp's Peas, sifted.	7 1/2c
Shriver's Corn, Blue Ridge.	7 1/2c
Beets, large cans.	7 1/2c
Boneless Codfish, 1-lb. box.	15c
Salmon Steak, flat cans.	87c
Chalmers' Jelly Powder.	5 1/2c
Peaches, "Columbus".	16c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit.	11c
Gold Dust.	17 1/2c
Sunny Monday Soap, 7 for.	25c
Pure Jelly, large glasses.	7 1/2c
Rising Sun Stove Polish.	5c
Macaroni and Spaghetti.	67c
Baked Beans, large can.	7 1/2c
California Asparagus.	23c
Boneless Bacon, lean strips.	19c
Sugar-cured Hams.	17 1/2c

FAIRBANKS HALTED AT DOOR

Fair Hoosier Wants to See His Tickets for Banquet.

Guest of Honor Enjoys Laugh, and Later Talks to Former and Present Indianians.

New York, March 18.—Vice President Charles Warren Fairbanks, who returned to his native land Thursday night after having hobnobbed with kings and emperors, found to-night that he was not known by at least one Indian, or better, one Indianienne.

With his wife he went to the Hotel Astor, where they were to be the honored guests of the daughters of the Indiana Society at a reception and dinner, but when Mr. Fairbanks started to go through the door into the banquet room he was stopped by one of the women of the society whose duty it was to collect the dinner tickets.

She wanted to see Mr. Fairbanks' ticket, and Mr. Fairbanks said he did not have one. The vigilant keeper of the wicket could not see how Mr. Fairbanks was going to get in without a ticket, until the former Vice President introduced himself. Then Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks had a good laugh at the expense of the Indianienne, who had lived so long in New York that she did not know her home folks.

When Mr. Fairbanks rose to reply to the nice things that had been said about him, he told the Indianians how much he thought of the State.

Mr. Fairbanks told his fellows from Hoosier land that during his progress around the world he had noted a growing respect for the United States among all countries, and he was glad to see that our influence was being exercised over other countries, not by force of arms, but by the weight of precept and example.

FIREBUGS ARE ACTIVE.

Huntingdon Suffers Heavy Loss as Result of Incendiary Blaze.

Huntingdon, Pa., March 18.—Incendiaryism ran wild in this city early to-day. At 1:30 o'clock fires were started almost simultaneously in every section of the town. The Huntingdon fire department was unable to cope with the attack of the firebugs, and assistance was secured from Lewisburg and Tyrone.

The result of the fires is the total loss of the First Methodist Church, the Central Planing Mill Company's plant, J. S. Bare's planing mill, several private residences, and the partial destruction of the First Presbyterian Church. The losses are estimated at \$200,000.

Mrs. James Miller, a widow, whose residence in Fifth street was destroyed, died after being removed from her invalid bed.

"Abe" Reed and John Earl, two young men of this place, were arrested and are being held on suspicion of being implicated in the fires.

Five years ago there was a similar outbreak of incendiaryism in Huntingdon, but despite an unusual effort to locate the criminals no arrests were made.

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